

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TOSHIHIRO KADOWAKI) : Examiner: Q. Yang
Application No.: 10/552,068) : Group Art Unit: 2625
Filed: October 4, 2005) : Confirmation No. 6106
For: IMAGE READING)
APPARATUS,)
PERSONALIZING METHOD,)
PROGRAM, AND STORAGE)
MEDIUM) : Monday, November 16, 2009

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) having been filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: